APPROVING THE LOCATION OF A MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., MEMORIAL IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

June 22, 1998.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. Young of Alaska, from the Committee on Resources, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.J. Res. 113]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 113) approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the joint resolution do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.J. Res. 113 is to approve the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capital.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

Congress passed legislation in 1996 to authorize the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to establish a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr. Under Public Law 104–333, the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity may build a memorial to Dr. King through private contributions. Public Law 104–333 is in compliance with the law specifying that a memorial commemorating an individual shall not be permitted until at least 25 years after the death of the individual. Dr. King passed on more than 30 years ago.

No federal monies will be spent on the construction of the memorial. Total funding for the memorial will be provided by the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, which Dr. King joined in 1952. Alpha Phi Alpha is one of the oldest predominantly African-American fraternities in the nation. This fraternity has 700 chapters in 42 states, and its members include some of the most prominent leaders and

distinguished public officials in the United States. The fraternity wishes to honor Dr. King's remarkable role with a memorial in the nation's Capital. The memorial will provide a tangible recognition that will assist in passing Dr. King's message from generation to generation.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.J. Res. 113 was introduced on March 4, 1998, by Congresswoman Constance Morella (R-MD). H.J. Res. 113 was referred to the Committee on Resources, and within the Committee, to the Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands. On May 21, 1998, the Subcommittee met to consider H.J. Res. 113. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered reported to the Full Committee by voice vote. On June 17, 1998, the Full Committee met to consider H.J. Res. 113. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the House of Representatives by voice vote.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

With respect to the requirements of clause 2(l)(3) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and clause 2(b)(1) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Article I, section 8, and Article IV, section 3 of the Constitution of the United States grant Congress the authority to enact H.J. Res. 113.

COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 7(a) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out H.J. Res. 113. However, clause 7(d) of that rule provides that this requirement does not apply when the Committee has included in its report a timely submitted cost estimate of the bill prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XI

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(1)(3)(B) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, H.J. Res. 113 does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(1)(3)(D) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on the subject of H.J. Res. 113.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(1)(3)(C) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the

Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H.J. Res. 113 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

U.S. Congress, Congressional Budget Office, Washington, DC, June 19, 1998.

Hon. Don Young, Chairman, Committee on Resources, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.J. Res. 113, a joint resolution approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Deborah Reis.

Sincerely,

JUNE E. O'NEILL, Director.

Enclosure.

H.J. Res. 113—A joint resolution approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital

CBO estimates that enacting H.J. Res. 113 would have no impact on the federal budget. Because the resolution would not affect revenues or direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.J. Res. 113 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments

H.J. Res. 113 would approve the location recommended by the Secretary of the Interior for the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial. Construction of the memorial (with nonfederal funds) was authorized by the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Deborah Reis. This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 104-4

H.J. Res. 113 contains no unfunded mandates.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

If enacted, H.J. Res. 113 would make no changes in existing law.

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